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- 1. On 14 October 1952 six rocket launchers covered with tarpaulins were brought to Hainburg, Lower Austria, from the direction of Deutsch-Altenburg. They were observed on the road leading to the Schloss-Kaserne, and were followed by three truckloads of Soviet troops. It is rumored in this area that 3,000 Soviet troops will be transferred to Hainburg.
- 2. On 15 October a military transport of 50 freight cars entered Austria from Hungary carrying rocket launchers.
- 3. During the first two weeks of October 1952, Soviet military transports of approximately 50 cars each travelled from Hegyeshalom, Hungary, to Vienna at the rate of three trains per day. During the same period a daily average of one to two freight trains left Austria via Bruckneudorf for Hungary.
- 4. During the first week in October a 48-car transport of Soviet officers arrived in Baden, apparently consisting entirely of special troops. These officers wear caps of a type never before seen in Baden, with visors on which there is a ring of stars. Total Soviet troop strength in Baden is now estimated at 22,000 men.
- 5. The schools for Soviet children in Baden were suddenly closed during the first week of October. All Soviet children in Baden above the age of 17 months will reportedly be sent back to the USSR.

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